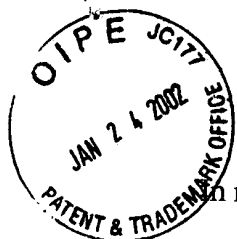


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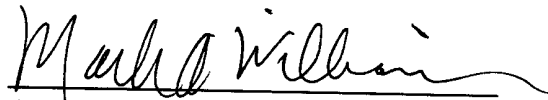
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US '677 and the Paramix document are discussed at page 2 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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